MINUTES
Parks & Recreation Board - Regular Session Meeting
Monday, January 13, 2020 North Plains Senior Center 6:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS:
Chairperson Doug Nunnenkamp; Vice-Chair Joanna Orgill, Board Members: Patti Burns, Evan King, Michael Bernards, Emily Silverman, Christina Ryan, Johanna Hunt (Youth Advisor)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: City Recorder Lori Lesmeister

1 CALL TO ORDER at 6:00 pm

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3 ROLL CALL
   a) All members in attendance, Ex Officio Mayor Teri Lenahan

4 NOMINATE AND ELECT CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR:
   a) Nominate and vote on Parks & Rec Chair for 2020
      Nominate Doug Nunnenkamp for Chair of Parks & Rec Board for the 2020 year
      Moved by Member Burns. Second by Member King.
      Motion was approved unanimously.

   b) Nominate and vote on Parks & Rec Vice Chair for 2020
      Nominate Joanna Orgill for Vice-Chair of Parks & Rec Board for the 2020 year
      Moved by Member Bernards. Second by Member Burns.
      Motion was approved unanimously.

5 CONSENT AGENDA:
(The items on the Consent Agenda are normally considered in a single motion. Any item may be removed for separate consideration upon request by any member of the Board.)
   a) Approval of the January 13, 2020 Parks Board Regular Session Agenda.

   b) Approval of minutes of December 9, 2019 Regular Session Parks Board meeting.
      Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
      Moved by Member Bernards. Second by Member King.
      Motion was approved unanimously.

6 PUBLIC COMMENT: No public in attendance

7 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
a) **Wildwood Playgrounds NW - Playground Structure Presentation**

Steve Lebwohl and Ben Lebwohl from Wildwood Playgrounds NW presented a short video on the company and how their playground equipment is produced. Discussion and questions regarding recommendation from Wildwood Playgrounds on what structure to put at LaMordden Park, and what the board members would like to see. Board was reminded that there needs to be a 6’ ‘safety zone’ around the play structure. Board members agreed that they want to see the structure functional for different age levels. After hearing from the board members, Steve Lebwohl said they can go back and work up another design option so that the board will have two options to pick from.

Discussion turned to color selection. Consensus on Dark Blue, Light (teal) Blue, and Lime Green.

Discussion on playground panels. At the December meeting a board member felt that the panels would not get enough use to warrant getting them. Steve Lebwohl explained why he feels they are a good addition to a playground. He explained that they are good use of space, and are another type of tool in child development and provides ‘passive’ play to go along with ‘active’ play from the structure itself. It also encourages interaction between different age groups. Ex Officio Mayor Teri Lenahan said that she feels that the panels are important for those children that might be overwhelmed by a play structure, or those children with different types of learning and skill abilities, as well as different handicaps. It was noted that the members were unaware that there were more panel options to pick from now that they have a catalog to look at. They selected the gears, mosaic, abacus and steering wheel panels and if there ends up being a steering wheel on the structure itself, then they would like either the storefront or puppet stage panel.

Discussion went back to possibly changing out some other options on the structure. Because the board members have catalogs to look at this evening, they would like the opportunity to possibly make some changes now that they have a chance to see more options in the catalog. Steve suggested they stay away from things that make noise because the area is so close to several homes. They gave a few suggestions to Steve and Ben, who said they would go back and design an ‘option B’ and send it to Public Works Director Blake Boyles so that he could forward it on to all of the board members for their review and choice.

Discussion then turned to the Pacific Purple Park and what could possibly be done there while taking into consideration the flooding that happens each year. Steve and Ben went by the park this evening and will look into options with regards to the grade of the land and the drainage that limit what can be done there.

Discussion on Jessie Mays Community Center. Chair Nunnenkamp gave Steve and Ben some of the challenges there are with the area including still allowing the space to be used for tents, etc. for the Garlic Festival, having play equipment for a wide age range, how best to use the small court space (basketball, tennis, Pickleball?) and incorporating a covered area, as well. Nunnenkamp will email the layout of the area to Steve and Ben and they will work up some options and send a plan back to him to share with the board.
8 NEW BUSINESS:
   a) Consider Recreational Program Support: Acting Class

"Acting with Mo" has been taking place in North Plains for the past three years. It is an acting class put on by Maureen Andronic Hicks (Mo) for school aged children that she has done free of charge. The class is held at Jessie Mays Community Center and at the end of each session the group puts on a short play for parents and friends. Mo approached the City Manager with a proposal to teach a 12 week acting class for children and asked that the City pay her and a second teacher to teach the class. Public Works Director Blake Boyles said that he believes the instructor's fee would be $1,200 and that there is definitely money in the budget for it, it would just require a supplemental budget to fund it. Questions and discussion ensued, including if the participants will pay to attend the class and if so, how much the fee will be. It was decided that everyone supports this idea, but they need clarification on the details of the proposal.

9 BOARD & STAFF COMMENTS
   a) Public Works Director Boyles gave a brief update on the Veteran's Park. We will be applying for another available grant in the coming months.
   Mayor Teri Lenahan noted that with the building of the new gym at the North Plains Elementary School, Hillsboro School District has been in communication with the Martin family regarding moving the Dave Martin Memorial Ball Field to the southeast corner of the school property. She expects there to be a rededication ceremony once the school project is completed.
   Mayor Lenahan also told the group about a resident that is doing a project of sewing mesh produce bags and wants to make enough so that every family in town will have a set of five bags. They are always looking for volunteers to help sew the bags, to purchase items needed to make the bags (thread, etc.) and will need volunteers to deliver the bags once they have been made. Mayor Lenahan encouraged anyone on the Parks Board that is available and wants to help in this contact her direct.
   Mayor Lenahan also noted that the Brynhill Master Plan has now been approved by the City Council. Chair Nunnenkamp said that Brynhill representatives will be attending the Parks & Rec board meeting in February or March to discuss parks in more detail. Youth Advisor Johanna Hunt explained that the name for the subdivision, Brynhill, came from her grandfather's dog.

10 ADJOURNMENT: 7:42 pm

Submitted By:  
[Signature]
Lori Lesmeister, City Recorder  
Feb. 10, 2020  
Date Minutes Approved